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IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Amended) A magnetic recording medium, comprising:
a substrate,
a niobium-containing seedlayer containing nitrogen having a thickness
from about 1 \AA to about 40 \AA ; and
a magnetic layer.

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12. (Amended) A method of making a magnetic recording medium comprising:
depositing a niobium-containing seedlayer containing nitrogen on a
substrate, wherein the seedlayer has a thickness from about 1 \AA to about 40 \AA ; and
depositing a magnetic layer.

20. (Amended) A magnetic recording medium comprising:

a substrate; and
means for maximizing the remanent coercivity of the recording medium by
providing a niobium-containing seedlayer containing nitrogen.